



Commission on Improving the Status of Children in Indiana

Mental Health and Substance Abuse Task Force

Date: January 24, 2022

Meeting Minutes

1. Review and approval of minutes from last meeting

2. Executive Director update

Chris Drapeau is going to present information on suicide broken down by race and speaking about preventing black suicide.

Next commission meeting is February 23, 2022, at the State Library.

We are down to the top 2 choices for an evaluator for the commission.

Julie is also following quite a few bills that will impact kids and family.

3. Subcommittee reports including prior action items, review of objectives, progress, etc.

Mobile Crisis: Serrilla Blackmon & Jennifer Tackett

No update.

Prevention: MeriBeth Adams Wolf

No update.

Parity: Steve McCaffrey

No update.

EBPs: Gabriela Rodriguez

Working with the state to get everything finalized with routing the contract. After that, the next step will be putting out the RFP.

Next thing will be presentation to the commission in February.

Gabby will send a draft over to David Reed, Leslie, and Julie of the information she will be presenting at the next commission meeting.

Suicide/Gap Analysis: David Berman

9-8-8 is really the focus with suicide prevention work.

9-8-8 will roll out in July 2022.

DMHA and FSSA is working on a unified platform that all 9-8-8 call centers and 2-1-1 will be a part of.

There are three pieces of legislation that involves 9-8-8 that David Berman is keeping an eye on.

Workforce Issues: Cathy Boggs & David Reed

In February our subcommittee will meet with Beryl Cohen from Illinois to discuss the changes of Illinois not requiring the exam for an MSW anymore.

- 4. Data Needs (identify any needs for data sharing or mapping, determine if someone in the Task Force has access to the needed data, if not, forward request to Data Sharing and Mapping Committee)**

- 5. Set or remind next meeting date, time, location**
March 21, 2022, 9:30 a.m. via Microsoft Teams